



### Rock Island Arsenal

is strategically located on an island in the Mississippi River between Iowa and Illinois. The island is almost a mile wide, three miles long and consists of 946.3 acres that are in the State of Illinois. It is located in the Quad Cities about 162 miles west of Chicago and 180 miles east of Des Moines, Iowa.

Arsenal Island is the second largest employer in the Quad Cities area, with an estimated strength of more than 6,400 jobs. The business conducted on the island also supports over 12,000 additional jobs in the surrounding communities. The total annual economic impact is over \$1 billion to the local economy.

The Department of Veterans Affairs operates the Rock Island National Cemetery on the island and the Rock Island District Corps of Engineers owns a portion of the island with the Mississippi River Lock and Dam 15.

**THE ROCK ISLAND ARSENAL** is a major Army installation that is the home to over 60 tenant organizations that provide critical products and services to all of our Armed Services. It employs more than 6,400 military, civilian and contractor personnel.

**The U.S. Army Garrison--Rock Island Arsenal** is charged with supporting all of the Island's diverse tenants. The garrison provides world-class base operations support to all of the island's employees, residents and visitors. This support includes force protection, public works, information technology, community and family activities, legal assistance, equal employment opportunity, safety, internal review, resource management and public affairs. The Garrison is the installation's face to the community. It is subordinate to the Installation Management Agency Northwest Region. The Garrison Manager is Mr. Alan G. Wilson.

The following are some of the larger tenants on Arsenal Island. For more information, see the contact information on the back page or visit the installation website at [www.ria.army.mil](http://www.ria.army.mil).

### USA RIA Joint Manufacturing and Technology Center

This center is the Army's only vertically integrated metal manufacturing facility and the only remaining U.S. Army foundry. A one-stop shop, the center has the technical expertise and equipment to provide full-service design and prototyping as well as manufacturing and testing/simulation, allowing rapid response to Warfighter requirements from all the Joint Services.

The center has multifunctional capabilities that include engineering and laboratory facilities, the varied production elements of machining, tool/gage manufacturing, castings, investment casting, forging, gear/spring manufacturing, shot blast, welding, extensive laser cutting, stereolithography (3D modeling), surface finishing, and assembly/packaging capabilities. There is also a state-of-the-art hydraulic recoil simulation complex.

Core items produced at the center are howitzer cradles, recoils, and mounts; with RIA manufacturing being the only domestic producer of hydro-pneumatic recoil mechanisms for artillery systems. The center also produces the Shop Equipment Contact Maintenance vehicle, the Body Explosive Ordnance Disposal vehicle, the Forward Repair System, field service gages and tool kits, outfits and shelter complexes.

Recent developments include armor kits for several tactical vehicles; Reset for Chemical Biological Protected System, Trailers, M119 105mm Towed Howitzer and M17A3 Lightweight Decontamination System; production of M6, M7 and MK93 Pedestal Gun Mounts/ Stands, Petroleum Quality Analysis System, and the Gun Electronic Laying Optic Night Sight (GELONS). The center is also involved in the development of the Dragon Fire mortar system, and many other systems of critical importance to our Joint Warfighters.

The center also utilizes one of the largest warehouse facilities under one roof at over 770,000 square feet. Located within this facility are the supply depot operations, which receipt, store and issue secondary and end items for a variety of National inventory control points and

the center is using Lean and Six Sigma to improve its overall efficiency and effectiveness. The facility is certified through the AMC Contractor Performance Certification Program (CP2) and is ISO 9001:2000 compliant. Col. Bruce Elliott is the USA Rock Island Arsenal Joint Mfg. & Technology Center commander.

USA Rock Island Arsenal Joint Mfg. & Technology Center is a TACOM Ground System Industrial Enterprise Installation.

### **Headquarters, U.S. Army Field Support Command (AFSC)**

The U.S. Army Field Support Command is a global organization that stores, maintains, accounts for, issues, and reconstitutes equipment and materiel for the Army's globally pre-positioned stocks and war reserve supplies. AFSC provides direct logistics support to combat units in the field anywhere in the world. Brig. Gen. Jerome Johnson serves as AFSC's commanding general. AFSC is a major subordinate command of the U.S. Army Materiel Command (AMC).

[www.afsc.army.mil](http://www.afsc.army.mil).

### **U.S. Army Installation Management Agency (IMA) Northwest Region**

The U.S. Army Installation Management Agency provides equitable, effective and efficient management of Army installations worldwide to: support mission readiness and execution; enable the well being of Soldiers, civilians and family members; improve infrastructure; and preserve the environment. The Northwest Region office oversees base operations functions for active Army facilities in 19 states, spanning from Ohio to the West Coast. Mr. J. Randall Robinson is the Director, IMA Northwest Region.

[www.ima.army.mil/northwest/welcome.asp](http://www.ima.army.mil/northwest/welcome.asp)

### **U.S. Army Tank-automotive and Armaments Command (TACOM) Rock Island**

TACOM RI's mission is to support and sustain mobility, lethality, and survivability for the warfighters, joint commanders, allies, and other customers. TACOM is a Major Subordinate Command of the Army Materiel Command with Headquarters in Warren, Michigan. Commodities supported here at TACOM RI include towed and self-propelled artillery, mortars, small-arms weapons, aircraft armament, light and heavy combat vehicle systems (such as the Bradley Fighting Vehicle and the Abrams Tank), fire control equipment, tools, diving, shop and equipment, live-fire training, chemical biological defense and soldier support systems. TACOM RI also manages ground systems industrial capabilities for six large industrial complexes through its Ground Systems Industrial Enterprise.

### **Headquarters, U.S. Army Joint Munitions Command (JMC)**

The U.S. Army Joint Munitions Command manages the production, storage, issue and demilitarization of conventional munitions for all U.S. military services. JMC operates a nationwide network of government-owned ammunition production facilities, and maintains a global presence through direct support provided to frontline units. Brig. Gen. Robert M. Radin currently serves as the acting commander of JMC. JMC is a subordinate command to the U.S. Army Field Support Command.

[www.afsc.army.mil](http://www.afsc.army.mil)

### **U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE) Rock Island District Headquarters**

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Rock Island District, headquarters complex is located on Corps-owned land on the west end of Arsenal Island. The Corps' Rock Island District administers federal water resource programs over a 78,000 square-mile area covering the eastern two-thirds of Iowa, the northern half of Illinois and corners of Minnesota, Missouri and Wisconsin. This area includes 314 miles of the Mississippi River and 268 miles of the Illinois Waterway and their tributaries. Within this area, the Corps'

Rock Island District applies engineering expertise to provide for navigation, flood protection, environmental restoration, emergency response, and to operate facilities and lands for the public good. Col. Duane Gapinski commands the Rock Island District. [www.mvr.usace.army.mil](http://www.mvr.usace.army.mil)

## **Civilian Human Resources Agency (CHRA)**

### **North Central Region**

The CHRA North Central Region is one of five continental U.S. Army Civilian Human Resources Regions and reports to the Civilian Human Resources Agency, located at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland. The office here consists of the Regional Director, the Civilian Personnel Operations Center (CPOC) and 10 Civilian Personnel Advisory Centers, one of which is also located on the island. The Regional Director provides senior leadership and oversight of all Civilian personnel advisory services, centralized human resources operations, fiscal program oversight, and senior supervisory authority of the human resources staff within the region. The North Central Region provides personnel services to over 35,000 Army and DoD civilian appropriated fund and over 3,200 non appropriated fund employees from Fort McCoy, Wisconsin, to Fort Sam Houston, Texas, to Washington, D.C. and to as far away as Fort Buchanan, Puerto Rico. The Regional Director is Ms. Janice A. Carbone.

## **The Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS)**

### **Rock Island Site**

The primary mission of DFAS is to provide responsive, professional finance and accounting services to the people who defend America. The Rock Island mission is to provide this support to major components of the Army Materiel Command and the Army Test and Evaluation Command. The DFAS Rock Island Field Site location officially began operations in March 1995. Current staffing is about 315 with the primary organizational elements being Accounting, Vendor Pay, Systems, and Administrative Support. DFAS accounts for over \$12 billion of Army Working Capital and Appropriated Funds. It annually process 130,000 vendor invoices valued at over \$4 billion.

The DFAS employees are now enjoying the benefits of a \$14 million military construction renovation, which took place from March 1997 through August 1999. This renovation provides state-of-the-art heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems, training facilities, conference rooms, and workstation furnishings. The director is Mr. John Guzzonato.

## **U.S. Army Network Enterprise Technology Command (NETCOM)**

### **Northwest Region Office**

The U.S. Army Network Enterprise Technology Command/9th Army Signal Command (NETCOM), activated is a worldwide, service-based organization, providing one coherent vision for Army Information Management. NETCOM, headquartered at Fort Huachuca, Ariz., is the single authority assigned to operate, manage, and defend the Army's Information infrastructure. The Northwest Region Office, located at Rock Island Arsenal, is under the operational control of the Installation Management Agency Regional Director, and provides technical control and support to Army Installation Directors of Information Management/Officers located in approximately 19 states comprising the Northwest Region. The Regional Chief Information Officer is Ms. Sally Cecil.

## **Edgewood Chemical and Biological Center (ECBC)**

### **Rock Island Site**

The Edgewood Chemical and Biological Center (ECBC), Rock Island Site, is part of the Engineering Directorate of the U.S. Research, Development & Engineering Command located at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Maryland. The Rock Island Site is primarily responsible for providing technical, engineering, and quality assurance support to a number of diverse Chemical/Biological Defense commodities from acquisition to demilitarization.

The commodity areas supported include Collective Protection, Contamination Avoidance, Individual

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Protection, Decontaminating Systems, Smoke Generators, BioDetection Systems, Smoke Munitions, and Hazardous Munitions Containers.

The Rock Island Site Manager is Mr. Larry J. Light. RDECOM reports to Army Material Command.

## Armament Research Development and Engineering Center (ARDEC) Rock Island

In order to support production and fielded armaments systems there are approximately 140 highly skilled ARDEC workers stationed at the Rock Island Arsenal. They perform research and development of common tool sets and mobile maintenance equipment for the Army, provide packaging support to production and the field, provide quality engineering support for TACOM armaments systems, and perform production support and configuration management for both TACOM-RI and JMC armaments and munitions. They are backed up by over 2400 ARDEC scientists and engineers located at Picatinny Arsenal, New Jersey.

ARDEC reports to the Army Materiel Command.  
<http://w4.pica.army.mil/ARDEC-RI/>

## Installation Services

*There are many on-island services for military personnel, civilian and contractor employees, and retirees. The island maintains a Fitness Center, Child Development Center, School Age Center, Outreach Programs, Employee Assistance Programs, a Food Court, Auto Craft Shop, Commissary, Post Exchange, Golf Driving Range, Outdoor Recreation Center, Storage Facilities and much more. There are pavilions for rent for picnics and special occasions, catering services and bridal consulting services.*



The Rock Island Arsenal is also a National Historic Site with a Confederate Cemetery, the Colonel Davenport House Museum, the Rock Island Arsenal Museum, and the historic Government Bridge over the Mississippi River.

The Corps of Engineers operates the Mississippi River Visitors Center which overlooks the Mississippi River Lock and Dam 15 and the Government Bridge.

*For more information go to [www.ria.army.mil](http://www.ria.army.mil).*